Volunteer Opportunities with the Lolo National Forest

Position: Campground Host

Lolo Creek Campground, Missoula Ranger District, Lolo National Forest

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Dates: May 15, 2012 – September 30, 2012a full season commitment is required.

Difficulty: Average

Opportunity Description: Lolo Creek Campground is located 15 miles west of the town of Lolo along US Hwy 12. At an elevation of 3, 800 ft., Lolo Creek Campground is situated on a heavily wooded hillside adjacent to Lolo Creek. This position requires the campground host to maintain the 18 unit Lolo Creek campground and day use picnic area. Other duties include: light maintenance, providing visitor information, and ensuring campers pay their fees.

Campground hosts are required to volunteer five days a week, including weekends and holidays. Hosts volunteer in both the morning and evening during daylight hours. 2-3 hours per day/20 hours per week is atypical commitment. Days off will be taken mid-week on a Tuesday/Wednesday or Wednesday/Thursday. Those interested in a host position must complete a volunteer application; submit a resume with 3 references, and agree to a background investigation.

Housing: The campground host site is paved for an RV or camper (24'x58'). Sewer, electric, garbage, and phone service (local calls only) are provided by the Forest Service. Hosts must have their own camper or RV. The use of a tent as the only means of housing is not permitted.

Maintenance Responsibilities: Performing campground maintenance is one of the host's primary responsibilities. Ensuring a clean and well maintained campground for the public is of the utmost importance. Campground host routine maintenance duties include but are not limited to:

- Cleaning and stocking restroom/outhouses on a daily basis (sweeping, mopping, cleaning risers, stocking toilet paper), and wet cleaning restrooms a minimum of one day per week and as needed
- Shoveling and cleaning out fire rings.
- Litter pick up.
- Mowing / line trimming.
- Emptying bear resistant trash cans.
- Sweeping parking area sites as necessary (if applicable).
- Sweeping off dumpster pads and low shed roofs (if applicable).
- Reporting vandalism or facilities that need repair.

Additional Information:

This is a volunteer position; a stipend is not provided.

